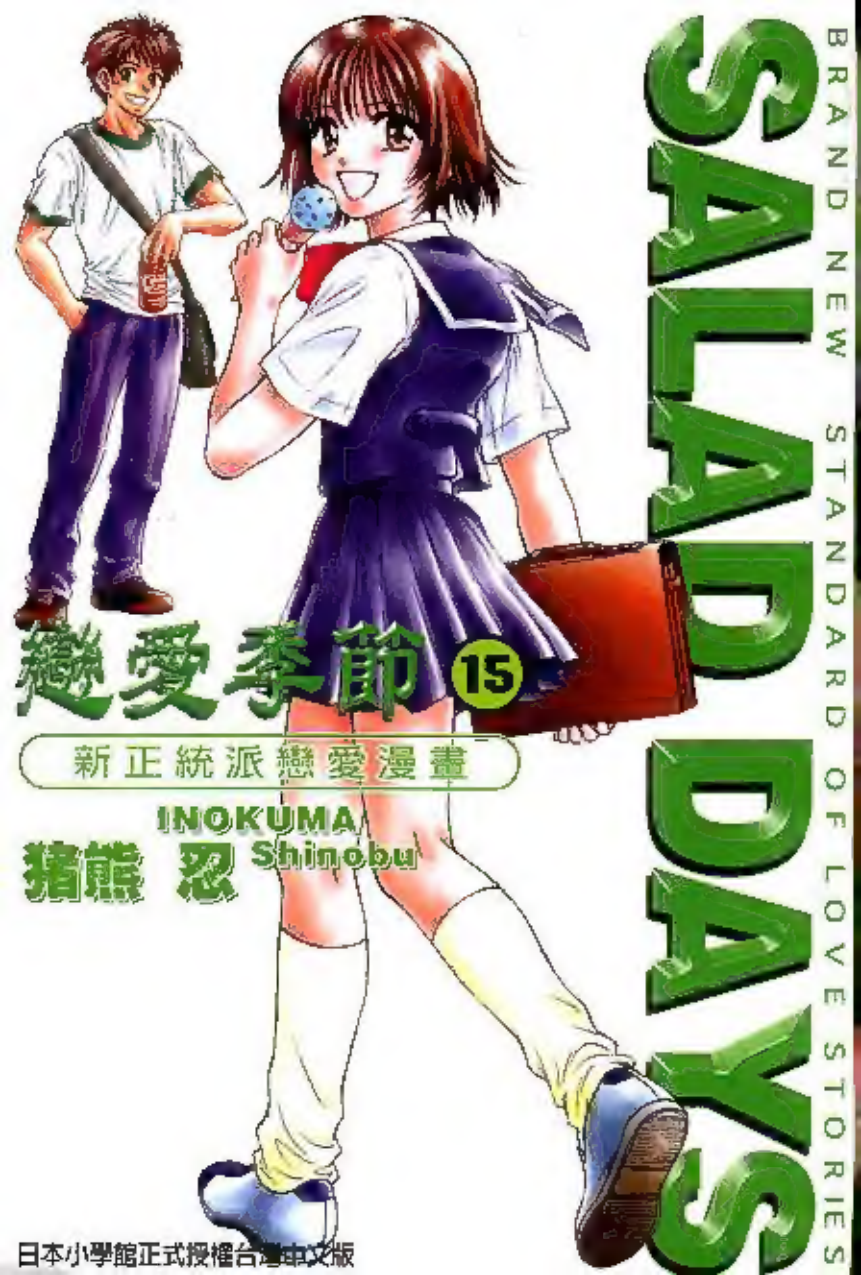
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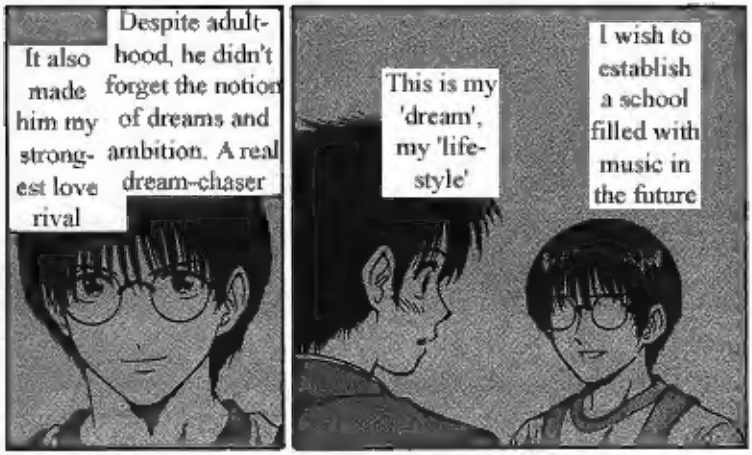
■ 猪熊忍 ■
Inokuma Shinobu

Seizing the chance on exam break, we went on a snowboarding trip
We've come to Nagoya
Awesome--- Futaba-chan, you're practically a pro!
Mou, Fumika -chan, don't say it like that
That was fun ♫
Rather, the problem lies with the company
I don't dislike snowboarding
Nope ...
Don't tell me you dislike snowboarding?
What's up? Yuuki, why do you look so grim-faced?
Kamiyama Yuuki, age 17--- Right now, it's February
And Fumika, that's still ok...
Me, Futaba ...
It's about time to go have lunch

Tazawa-sempai encompasses everything that is desired in a man, and is thus also the bane of every other guy
What's worse is, he's a rival for Futaba's affections...
I have good reason to be grim-faced, right?
Holy cow, you can even do arials
Hehe, I'm great, aren't I?

Tazawa Rei...!
That's right, it's him!
I see ---
It turns out Futaba-san is this good at snowboarding
Um... That ...
Speaking of which, Tazawa -sempai, where'd you board this morning?
Wow ---
She's really awesome
Fumika -chan, don't be like this
And if you add that mug...
A model student often ranking the top spots in the National Aptitude Exam
He's an athlete that managed to make the top 4 in high school singles tennis
Let's board together in the afternoon. We came here together after all
Yeah... I guess you're right...


It also made him my strongest love rival
Despite adulthood, he didn't forget the notion of dreams and ambition. A real dream-chaser
This is my 'dream', my 'lifestyle'
I wish to establish a school filled with music in the future

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*sfx - forceful push

No way? Amazing!
It's a shame that he was eliminated in the half-pipe
Actually, he's even joined the X-Games before
He doesn't look to be skilled right?

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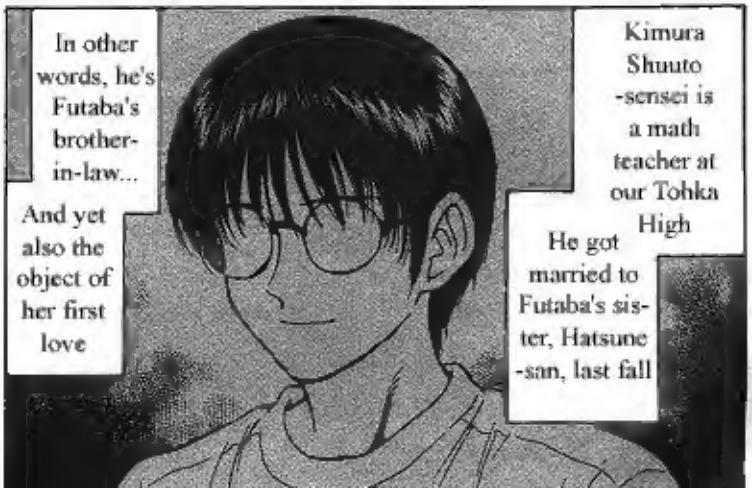
In other words, he's Futaba's brother-in-law...
And yet also the object of her first love
He got married to Futaba's sister, Hatsune-san, last fall
Kimura Shuuto-sensei is a math teacher at our Tohka High

Pretty boy finally gets a fall!
Bleeding! A nose-bleed!
Ah-ha hahaha! What a disgrace ...!
Ah...
Isn't that right? Futaba...

Huh ...?
Ah... Thank you
Sempai, are you alright?

... That's right
At this mere angle, you...
Huh... No way?

After all... I can only play tennis ...
bleed
Not just snowboarding. Skiing, skating...
I just can't do any of the winter sports...

---What's more, with the way Futaba reacted, it was as if I was the worst person in the world.....
This is bad... I made her mad ....

Ah ...
Ah ...
Dou-shi-you
.....

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This ... Huh?
スイッ
The baths aren't bad at all. It's real spacious. There's even an outdoor bath!
Hi, you guys heading off to the baths?
I'm in trouble ...
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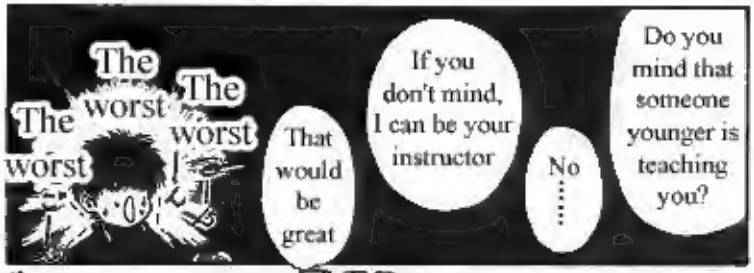
スタスタ

People that laugh at learning newbies are the worst!
Everyone has their first time
Yuuki, why are you acting as if you've won or some-thing?


The worst
The worst
The worst
The worst
That would be great
If you don't mind, I can be your instructor
No .....
Do you mind that someone younger is teaching you?

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Mo-ron
100 de-me-rits
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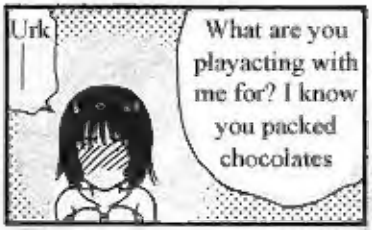
ズリッ


Urk
What are you playacting with me for? I know you packed chocolates

I-is... that right?
Huh?
All things aside, tomorrow's Valentine's Day already

.....
Tell me, okay?
Tell me, who are you giving it to?

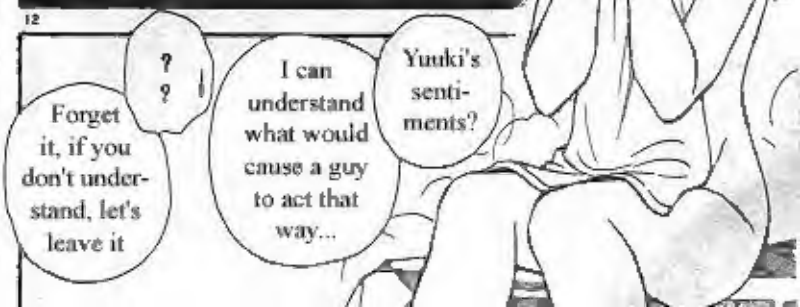
I should go and do it. I need to lift my spirits.....
Night skiing...

sigh ...

I feel more refreshed already...
Hah

Don't be like that. I for one understand Yuuki's sentiments...
It's so shameful!
Geez, I didn't think Yuuki could be such a bully...




Forget it, if you don't understand, let's leave it
? ?
I can understand what would cause a guy to act that way...
Yuuki's sentiments?

No way!
Huh-huh? Tazawa -sempai?

I let you see my shameful side once again
Hi, Yuuki -kun

Ah... no... these glasses ...
Is this for real ...?
What is it? What?

Luckily, I happened to bring my glasses along ...
I accidentally lost my contacts when I fell awhile ago ...
The way this guy looks when wearing glasses is uncannily like Shuuto -sensei

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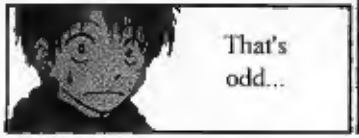
Uh ...
Oh yeah, Yukki-kun, mind giving me some tips?
I still can't slice turns too well...


That's odd...

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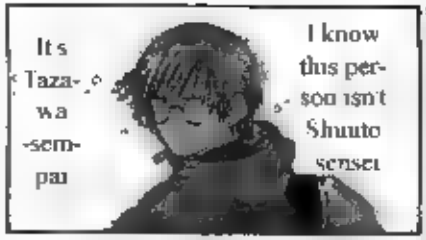
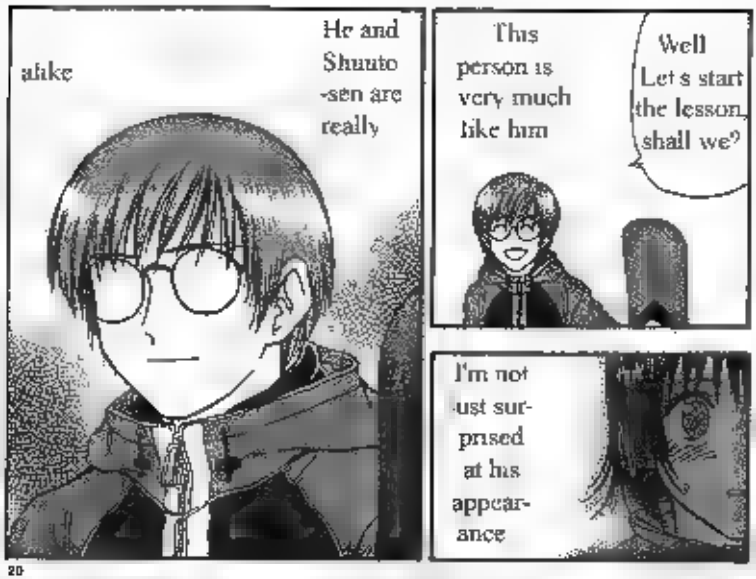
Sigh

How can he be here?
Shuu... Shuuto -sensei?



And I also know that Futaba isn't as shallow as to fall for someone on looks alone

I want to be that kind of doctor
I wish to pass on that feeling I had then to others
I wish to become Japan's ...no the world's best sports physician
This is just merely an ideal from a dream
What is this?
I got a scholarship to Shaku-ju-Dai
The medical school there specializes in Japanese sports medicine
Then the university you'll be going to must be ...
Sports medicine is it?
But there was just this one hospital
Every hospital we went to gave up on it
I got the so called tennis elbow so it was fairly grave
My elbow got injured in junior high
What's more there was no need to operate just physical training
I felt medicine was so great
But they really did cure me
So that's why, I determined that it was my turn now
For a second I thought I heard wrong I couldn't believe it
We can cure


He and Shuuto -sen are really
alike
This person is very much like him
Well Let's start the lesson, shall we?
I'm not just surprised at his appearance

—and I can't stop it
My uneasiness is enveloping my whole heart..
Doki
Doki

# PART2 Snow Valentine (2/2)

February 14 2001 Today is Valentine's Day
Kamiyama Yuuki, age 17, in Nagoya
Only I am feeling down
At this nationwidely joyous occasion
Ah Fumika san
Just once is enough I wanna be seen with a pretty boy
Huh?
After learning so much, you don't need any more instruction, right? Board with me today, okay?
I'm still not that used to it, ok?
Tazawa-sempai has even learned high-speed braking already!
Awesome!
Just from yesterday to today
I heard it
This is troubling
You taught Tazawa-sempai how to shoe curves last night?
Eh
That Fumika is a little bit too forceful
What will Futaba's reaction be?
If Futaba finds out that Tazawa-sempai likes her too
It was nothing
Besides, this is all thanks to Futaba's instruction

It just felt like we haven't fought in a long time
Back when we just met we practically couldn't stop fighting every day
Haha that's right It's true
Time goes by so quickly
It's been almost 2 years since then right
That was last
This time next year we won't be able to snowboard anymore
We'll be preparing for univ exams
Speaking of universities Yuuki did you know?
Don't make me recall, geez!
Even the way we met was a mess
I've decided to forgive you
With regards to that moronic act you did by laughing at Tazawa-sempai
I see there's hope for you yet
Y-yes ma'am! Thank you very much
Can't you show a little enthusiasm!
What! I just forgave you for that disrespectful act you did against Tazawa-sempai, you know?
Good call
Well, let's go boarding too, ok?
Mph!
He he

Yeah, very similar
is very similar to Shuuto -sensei, isn't he?

I was surprised when I noticed it too

It seems like he's going to Shakujii's school of medicine
Ta-zawa -sem-pai

Sempai is really so awe-some
It's all coming back now
With a scholarship no less
Just when I calmed down my uneas-ness
chi damn it
Tazawa -sempai, this per-son.
Eh?
Tell me Futaba

Enough, don't say any more
Mmph Mmrgh. (What?) What's the big idea?

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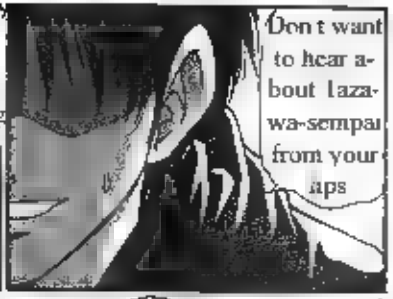
Yuuki, don't you think

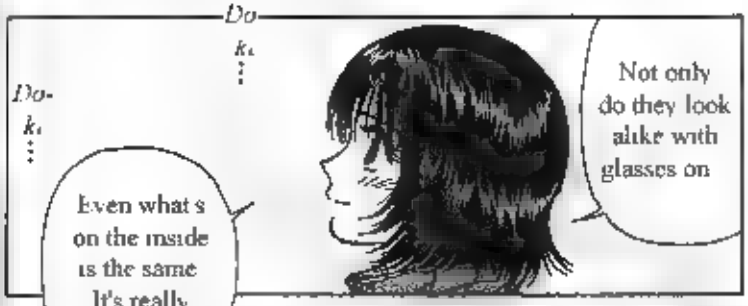
I don't wanna listen to this anymore
Huh?

Geez, really
What's up? Yuuki Why are you saying this?


Don't want to hear about Iazawa-sempai from your lips

Futaba
Anou
I'm not going to let anyone else steal you away
I'm never gonna give you up to someone else
Huh?

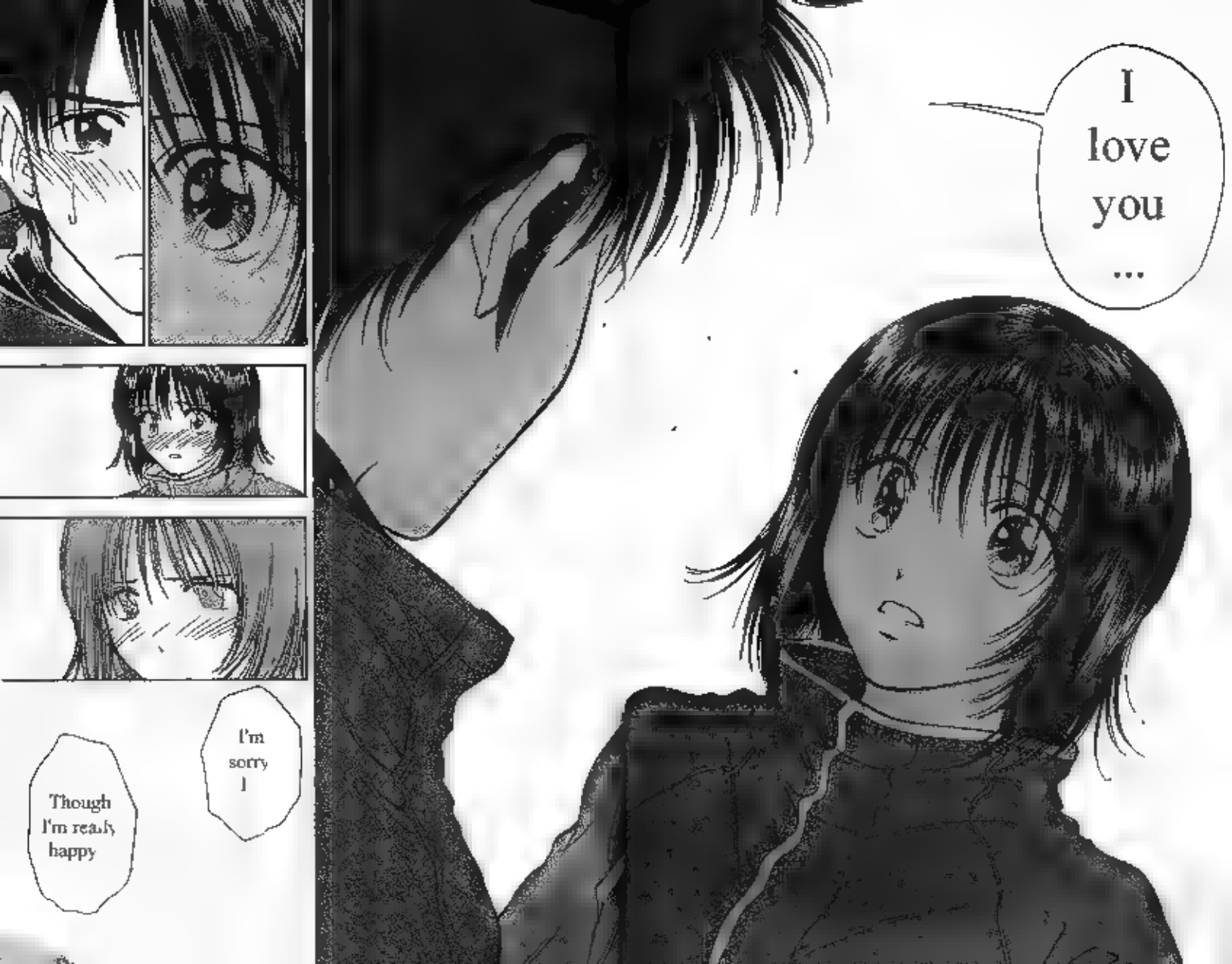



Do-ki...
Not only do they look alike with glasses on
Even what's on the inside is the same It's really uncanny
Do-ki...

Do-ki...
Do-ki...

Aiming a little too high, isn't he?
Do-ki...
Iazawa-sempai aims to be a sports physician, the world's greatest one at that
The world's greatest

And also how he says he's going to keep moving forward for this ideal
They are all an exact copy of Shuuto-sen
From the way he says that it's his dream
Do-ki...


I love you ...
I'm sorry I
Though I'm really happy

Yeah, great
Whule there still isn t a lot of people let s go have lunch now

T- That's not true
What s going on? Why are you guys staring at each other unmoving?

Yeah . . .
Ne. Yuu-chan! Lunch time for lunch!

Please give me some time
Okay? Yuuko?

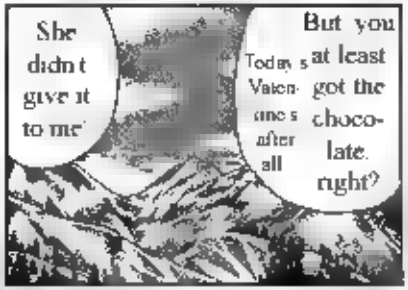
I beg of you just a little time is enough

I'm unable to answer you right now

Nothing Nothing happened
What else? I planned it so craftily so there'd be a way for you guys to be alone here
No way? How can it be so boring?
You

what do you mean?
---so what happened already

What's with this reaction?
How can that be---?
No way ---?


She didn t give it to me
But you at least got the chocolate. right?
Today s Valentine s after all

Yuu-chan---! Futaba -chan ---
Ah They re over here!

What?
Tazawa -senpai said he already got his, and was so psyched about it too

I'm unable to answer you right now
I'm sorry. Though I'm really happy

Isn't the answer already quite clear?

What is with saying these words to keep me hopeful?
Sheesh. What is with his?

My feelings for Shuuto -sensei have long been finished!
Are you a moron or what?
I gave Tazawa -sempai a friendship chocolate
Even if it wasn't, who'd fall in love with someone on that basis?
This.....
Even I was surprised when I saw
What's more Tazawa-sempai's so much like Shuuto sensei
That's right, you! Kami-yama Yuuki!
The one I love now is you!
Confessing like that
You really surprised me
.....
I really am very happy
Hey
---hu
I know it already no need to say it...
I've already decided long ago
But I really couldn't give you an answer then, because
But, didn't you give him chocolate already?
When did Tazawa -sempai crop into this?
So, the answer is quite clear, isn't it?
I didn't get one
What?
Isn't this for the best? You and Tazawa -sempai seem to get along really well!

Of course I'm very happy about it
I said I'm sorry already
After all it's against the rules for the guy to confess on Valentine's Day
Very happy
About this
!
you dolt !
But with the way things are
there's nothing more to say!
You just ruined a carefully prepared confession
I love you
This is our beginning---
That's right, it's our beginning!
That I'd confess to you on February 14th
I've already decided a long time ago
I had already decided
I I'm sorry
Geez, it's all ruined now!
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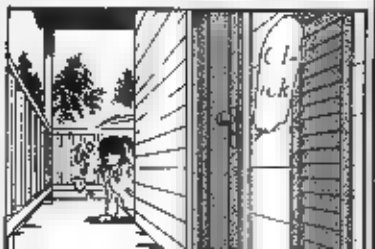
It's home-made so it's not sure to be good
But that's for another time
Ah, thanks
In the end, we felt that confession wasn't the goal of romance
Here, take the chocolate
I apologized already
Right now
The order's now all messed up
Geez. I was planning to give it to you before confessing
The two of us can only revel in the notion of our mutual love for one another .
Yeah I guess you can say that
But This might just be the most fitting beginning for us

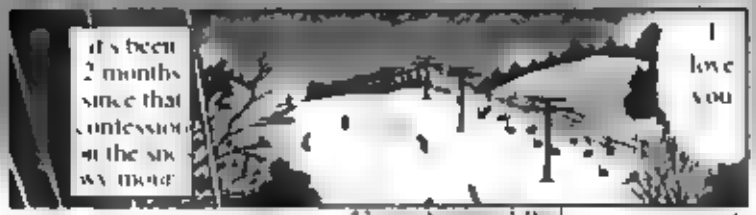
PART3
Move On! (1/2)

Wow--- Alright! They re all stuff that I like!
Oh, and bean stew!
Tonight we re having grilled beef steak and side salads
Really? That's just great

*Co-op Yamashina

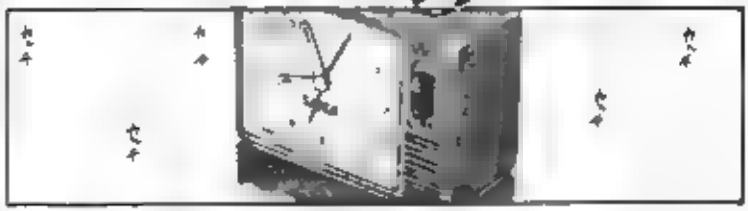


That night you Kami sama Yuuki
The one I love now is you!
Ja wa


It's been 2 months since that confession in the snowy mond
I love you

My heart longs to live that life of passion
Me and Futaba are now formally lovers
八舗公園

No-thing
What are you doing, Yuuki?
Here, take this



Ah anou. Futaba
Yup
Ja Oyasumi Mata ashita
sigh

Kami-yama Yuuki, age 17
That last spring of his high school life
But come to think of it, our situation now is no different that it was before
It's back to saying the same greetings. so it's no different than before
O-yasumi'
itadakimasu'
'Go-chisousama'
O-hayou
Such a platonic love.
Now that I think about it closely we haven't even held hands yet
But it's already been like that since before
Of course. she cooks for me everyday .his is indeed a gesture that true lovers share
Ah?
Low-life!
What's up with this kid?
!

What the heck was that?
I disapprove! A guy like you, I could never approve
Men are all bastards
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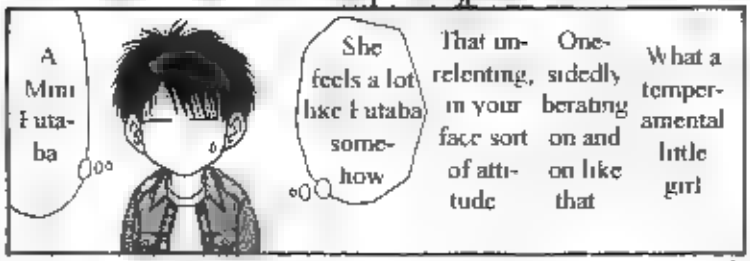
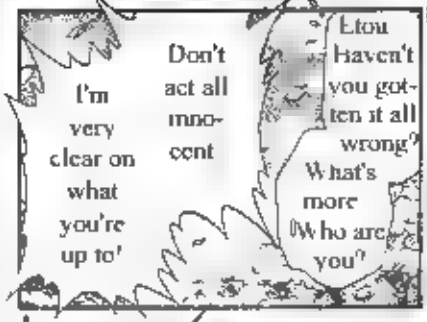

A Mini Futaba
She feels a lot like Futaba somehow
That unrelenting, in your face sort of attitude
Onesidedly berating on and on like that
What a temperamental little girl

Hm?
Ah, the original has appeared

Yuuki!
Just thinking about me is making me flare up
But Why did a girl I didn't know accuse me of all sorts of faults-

Ah
Huh?
Hey
You beast!
You big pervert!
I'm sure you're not a good person


I'm very clear on what you're up to!
Don't act all innocent
Etou Haven't you gotten it all wrong?
What's more Who are you?

Huh?
I just can't believe it Only a HS student and yet living together with some guy?

Otherwise, why would such a proper person like her go do such a thing?
All things aside, I'm sure she's being fooled by you!

And more importantly
Contained within are our memories for the past two years.
After all, someone like me who doesn't have a home with parents to return to only have this apartment complex to call my home
It's just a place where I can be independent and comfortable
Futaba-chan! Yuuki-kun!
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Co-op Yamashina ..
Our apartment complex
What's wrong? Why all the rush?
Satou-san, Suzuki-san
Suite 102's Suzuki-san
Suite 101's Satou-san
How can that be? It's cuz today's an anniversary
Futaba, do you always cook food with meat this expensive?
500 yen per 100 grams?
Anniversary?
That was long
anniversary
Today is the, Me and Yuuki have known each other for two whole years.
Huh? Yuuki, are you for real?
I'm hoping to move
That room is getting more and more worn out
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I never even gave that a single thought
Now wish Futaba
Um of course I don't plan to immediately
Really? So it's been two years.

Let's go Futaba, no use dallying here forever
It's all turned into charred remains
Come on. I told you right? The landlord here is my uncle
It's a high rise! A high rise!
And they have empty rooms there so we can stay there for now
That uncle of mine owns another apartment building
I don't want to live anywhere else but here
What are you talking about?
I'm staying here
You can go on
How about it? Futaba. I've already reserved us two rooms
AHHHHHHHH!
The fire back then raged on wildly. there was no way it could be rescued from the blaze
In just 2 short hours, turned to ash
Our many various memories for the past two years ...
Co-op Yamashina

Good bye
.....
This is not our Co-op Yamashina anymore!
It's just a mountain of debris. A pile of charred remains!
What's the point to hanging on to these futile things?
I really don't understand you Now is not the time to be stubborn!
But I have to say one thing
I'm going now Who cares about you!
If you want to stay stay
Futaba .?
Don't think that you're the lone tragic heroine here!
You're not the only one who wishes to remain in this memory
But everyone's doing their best to move on

I didn't mean a *two-room* apartment
Two bedrooms, a kitchen, a bath
That's right! There are two rooms in there!
Didn't I say the two of us need an apartment?
What's going on here?
Hey Ojusan!
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Don't worry they won't find out
We'll be expelled if the school finds out!
Don't be such a moron!
It doesn't really matter, does it? She's your girlfriend, right? Just live together already

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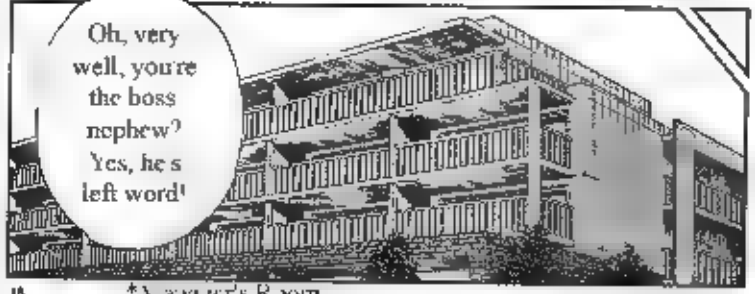


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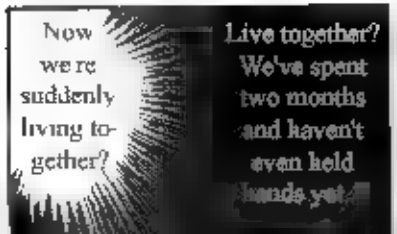

Huh
What's up this commotion now? Can we please observe silence in the hallway
Huh
Futaba-neechan
Don't tell me You're Satoko-chan?
What's going on here
W-what? These two know each other?

## Move On! (2/2)

Because of the fire, me and Futaba have
Some day in spring break--- This is

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It won't do if we don't come up with something soon!
We only have shampoo and a few clothes in the house!
Darn
がらーん
Don't be such a baby! It's not like I have a choice
Huh? You're going to leave your bed-ridden girlfriend here all alone?
Un...
Just wait for me a bit. I'll be back with a pot and boil you up some rice to eat
See? You're a stubborn little kid!
Ah!
No need. Be a good girl and lie down
Walk you to the door
No. I have to walk you
Go back and lie down!
ズガーン
U-wah!
Aa-ah!
begun to live together
Oh no. It's as I feared..
Yep, this is a fever alright
I'll just have to go at it alone
It can't be helped
I'm really sorry. I promised to shop for essentials with you today, and all

# PART4
# Move On! (2/2)

Pervert! Underhanded! Lowlife!
Just as I thought there's nothing good about men!
That's not it!
You scum taking advantage of Futaba neechan while she's all weak like this
Neechan, has your fever gone down yet
Ugh
Underhanded.. I hate you all!
Huh?
The child isn't directing these words at you as an individual
Don't take it too personally Yuuki
That kid doesn't know the first thing about me yet she hates me with such passion!
She just loathes males
Satoko-chan has hated guys ever since she was little
What's up with her then
What
Ah
Ah
That's right, we Satoko-chan We didn't
It's not what you think You have it wrong
No way ------! You lowlife ------!

So Satoko-chan, the poor child. Will always come home everyday in a very terrible state
Back then, there was an evil boy in class that kept bullying her
Satoko-chan was a next-door neighbor of mine back in the apartment I lived in during 3rd yr junior high

You have to pity me too
But still, she shouldn't have flared her temper at me for that, right? Mataku
If you think about it, you have to pity her
I think this is likely the cause of it, right?

Ah...?
Not a chance
Give it back! Give it back to me
What's going on?
Wah! Noo!


Hmph--- So this is that 'bullying evil boy'?
Ah.....
How long do you plan to make me wait?
If you want me to give this back, then give me an answer!

Bastard. What-cha doin'?

ばっ
Here, Satoko-chan

Are all men like this? What morons! How could you ever trust them this way?!
Are you a moron teasing a girl you like will yield the opposite result!
I dis-approve of you more and more!
You're such a low life!
No, don't twist my words around
Ah!
Do you always tease Futaba-neechan then
Scum!
Low life!
I never thought she'd stoop down to shacking up with a guy!
She used to be such a proper girl before too
I don't know what is going on with Futaba-neechan
A-nou
I didn't ask for your help!
Mind your own business
pro-bably
I think that little boy
. has a special liking for you, huh?
You see some people show affec-tion by teas-ing people they like
What kind of baloney is that!
Hah! I guessed right?
How could you know such a thing?!
Eh?

You must be hungry huh? I'll get the rice ready soon
Sorry I came back so late
Ga-
Tadaima ---
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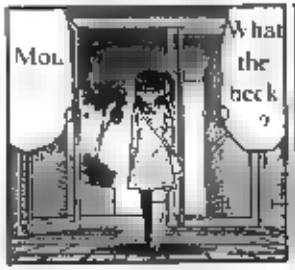
Oi Futaba
What's the matter? Are you asleep?
Futaba ?

Please take that back


Mou
What the heck ?

... Futaba

. please never badmouth Futaba!
But ...
If it's directed at me, go on and hate me and scold me all you want

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You really truly love Futaba-nee-chan?
Of course
.....
If I had stayed home, this wouldn't have happened
Damn it If I had known earlier I wouldn't have gone out like that

Two years?
Why else would I have had a crush on her for two years?

You mean that guy earlier
But
Huh?
It's also been two years already since he started teasing me in grade 3

!?

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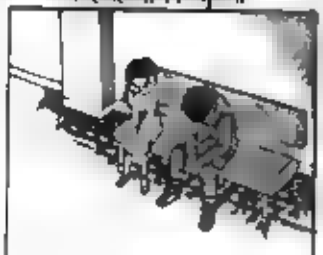

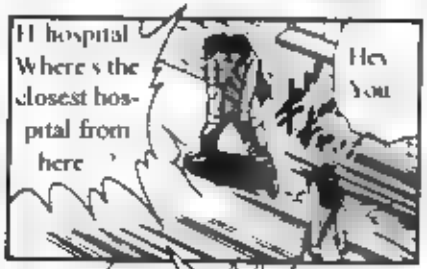
Hey You
If hospital Where's the closest hospital from here?

Where is the hospital?
She didn't react when I called!
Futaba's got a very high fever
Big trouble

Nan
yo
?
Hmph

Huh
Not
yet
Satoko
-chan,
have you
answered
him yet?
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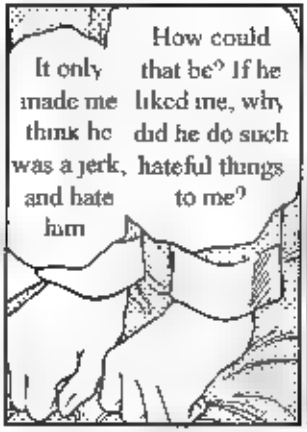
.. the
pain of
a one-
sided ro-
mance
I'm sure
you'll un-
derstand
one day


It only
made me
think he
was a jerk,
and hate
him
How could
that be? If he
liked me, why
did he do such
hateful things
to me?

"I've liked
you a lot
since two
years ago
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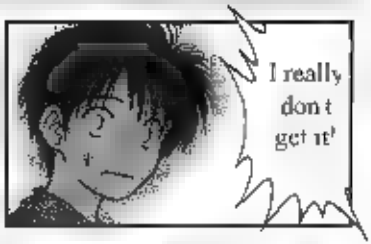
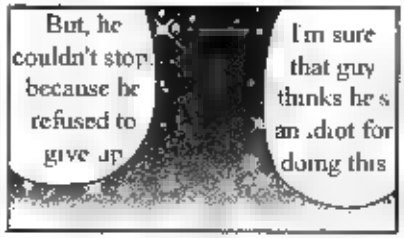
not
long ago,
he confes-
sed to me
all of a
sudden

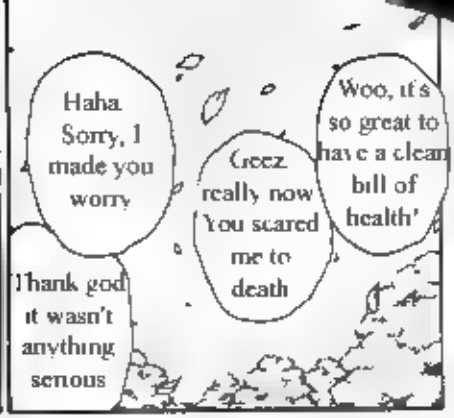

I really
don't
get it!

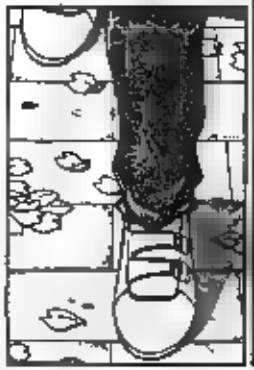
So this
became
the only
way
Wanting
your atten-
tion, but
never get-
ting it

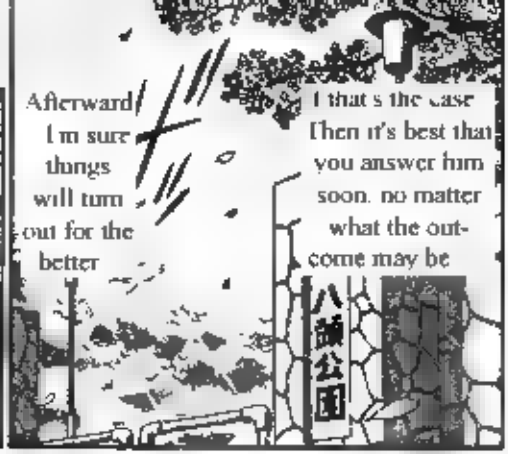

But, he
couldn't stop,
because he
refused to
give up
I'm sure
that guy
thinks he's
an idiot for
doing this

Huh?
Actually,
I can more
or less
sympathize
with his
situation

But, I'm so happy


Haha. Sorry, I made you worry
Thank god it wasn't anything serious
Geez, really now You scared me to death
Woo, it's so great to have a clean bill of health!



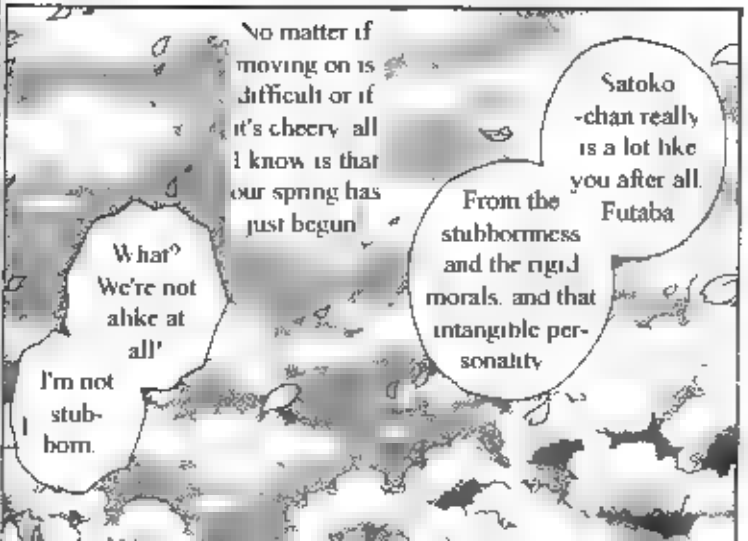

Afterward I'm sure things will turn out for the better
If that's the case Then it's best that you answer him soon, no matter what the outcome may be
八頭公園

That's really great
I'm not all alone

Ah!
Eh?
Yup!

This is so relaxing

Who knows
What's going on? Why is Satoko-chan accompanied by a guy?


No matter if moving on is difficult or if it's cheery, all I know is that our spring has just begun
Satoko -chan really is a lot like you after all, Futaba
From the stubbornness and the rigid morals, and that intangible personality
What? We're not alike at all!
I'm not stubborn.

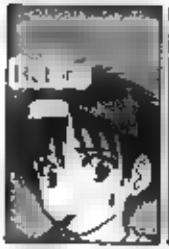
PART 5
Winter Sea

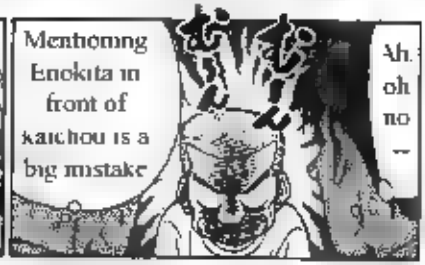
The roar of waves from the winter sea is particularly loud
This isn't what I really wanted to say
Now isn't the time to talk of such things
It's really cold

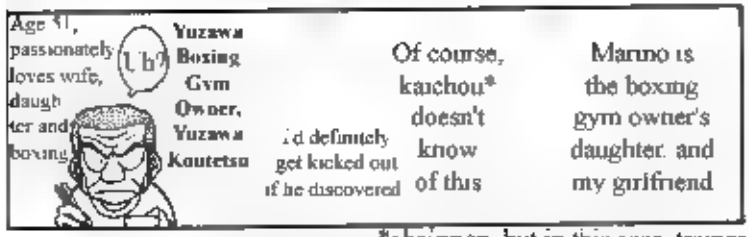
Huh? That guy
Don't tell me it's
A week ago we came to this city by the sea
for boxing training camp
Matsuyama Takashi age 19
I trained at the Yuzawa Boxing gym
Training Hall
Very good Very good
Continue training
Time to eat~
Ming

You two better shut up and eat
It's really such a shame. just because that incident happened.
No. he could've been world class
If only he took it seriously he could've won one or two championships already

Praising me won't make the food any better---
Delicious Absolutely delicious. Marino -san
Geez If I wasn't on a diet regimen. I'd freely have all I can eat







Age 51, passionately loves wife, daughter and boxing
Uh?
Yuzawa Boxing Gym Owner, Yuzawa Koutetsu
I'd definitely get kicked out if he discovered
Of course, kaichou* doesn't know of this
Marino is the boxing gym owner's daughter. and my girlfriend

*chairman, but in this case, trainer

I heard kaichou curse like that before

"That guy is a real piece of shit!"

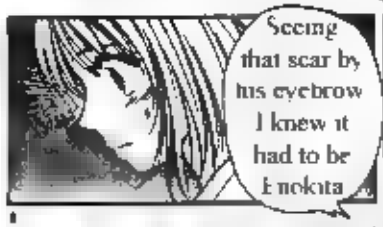
But this was before I entered the Yuzawa Gym. so I'm not too clear on it myself

Marino used to be engaged to Enokita

It caused Marino to cry for 3 days and 3 nights

Afterwards without saying a word, he left the gym, just like that

Two years ago. he got involved in a huge fight and badly injured his opponents.



Me too There at that construction site by the seaside
Oh yeah. I saw someone that looked like Enokita on the while we were running

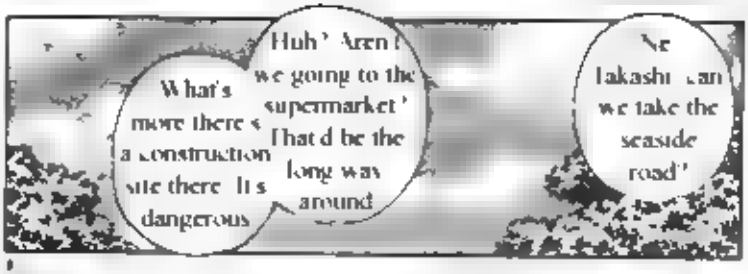
That's true

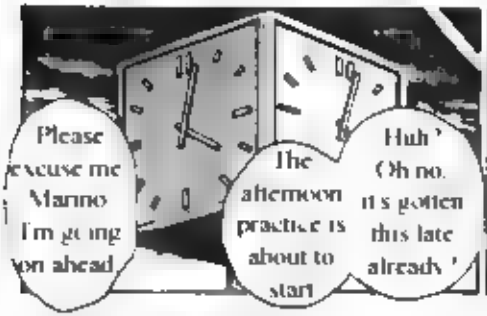
I have to believe that
Right now I am Marino's boyfriend

Besides, taking the long way around means I get to spend more time with you

No problem Marino
Do you still have time before afternoon practice Come with me to buy something

Takashi
Never
I will never cause Marino to cry


What's more there's a construction site there It's dangerous
Huh' Aren't we going to the supermarket' That'd be the long way around
Ne Takashi can we take the seaside road'


Please excuse me Marino I'm going on ahead
The afternoon practice is about to start
Huh' Oh no it's gotten this late already'

I just have to believe that

I just want to go look at the sea
Mou. Takashi don't get me all wrong

Huh'
Marino don't tell me you

A misunderstanding

What are you up to? Maruo
No way? You saw Takashi?
Huh?
That's not it. In fact, it's the opposite
Oppo-site?
can it be you wanna get back with him?
express-ly went to bid him farewell
I just.....
I didn't tell you about this at all
No. I was at fault too
I I'm sorry
So that's what it was.
Enokita and I never really had a time to formally 'break up'
I was always mindful of this
So I
Huh?
If that's the case, then we're formally boyfriend and girlfriend now!
But

There are two more routines!
What?
sigh— This is just too intense
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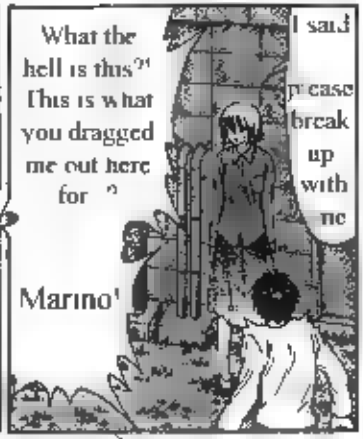
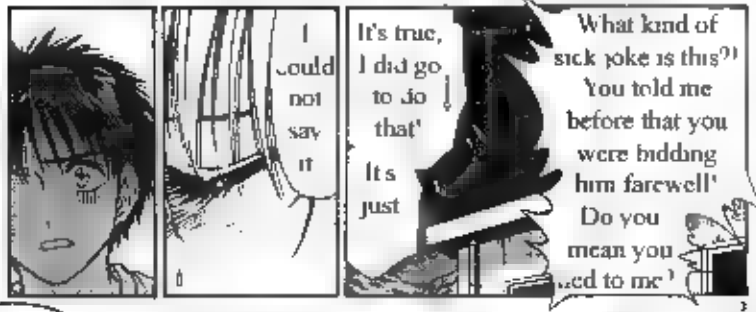
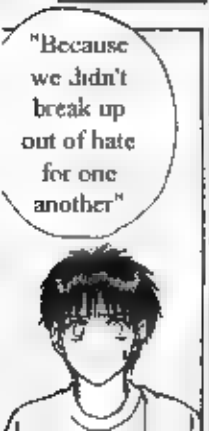
Manno and Enokita Osamu?
Huh?
Why?
Why are those two

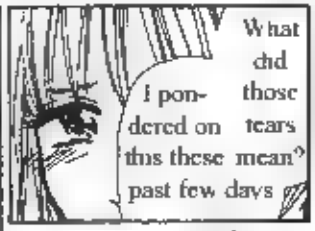
I need to go
I need to return to his side

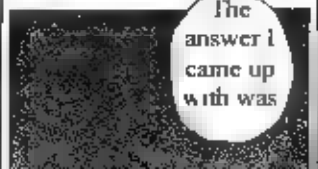

What the hell is this?! This is what you dragged me out here for ?
I said please break up with me
Marino!

Wh-!
I'm begging you, Takashi, please let me go
Please


I could not say it
It's true, I did go to do that!
It's just
What kind of sick joke is this?! You told me before that you were bidding him farewell! Do you mean you ...ied to me?

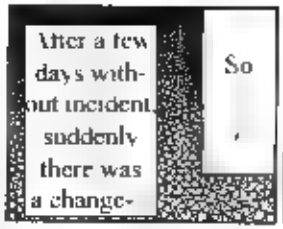

"Because we didn't break up out of hate for one another"


I pondered on this these past few days
What did those tears mean?


The answer I came up with was

So that's how it turned out I couldn't say anything
The moment I stood in front of him, I suddenly broke into tears

Yeah I guess you're right


After a few days without incident, suddenly there was a change-
So ,

Because of it, I didn't take that sign to heart
Marino reverted back to her usual self right after that
Although I took notice of her sullen expression at the time

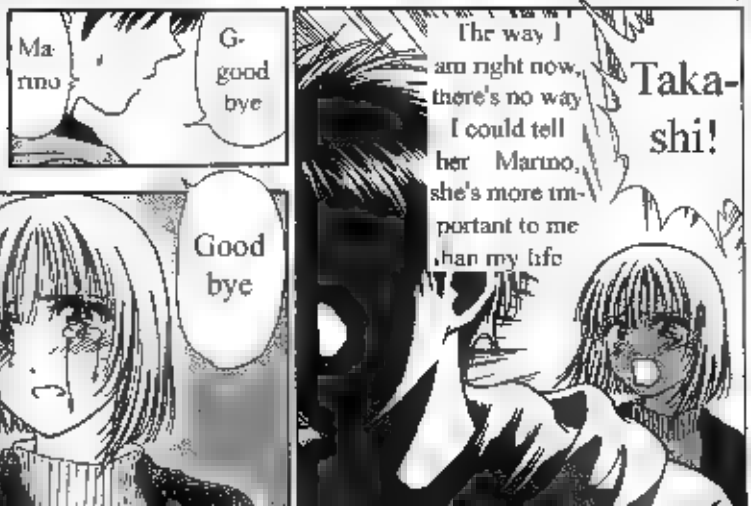
Huh?

go-ing on now?
This is what

It came so quickly that it came as a big shock to me
Please break up with me

It's up to me to help him
This time
please let me go
If it were me if my life and my girlfriend were put on scales
I want to be by his side
So I'm begging you.
He just happened to pass by. and then. Just like that
That day I was being harrassed by three men at the park--- And then
That incident two years ago happened in order to rescue me
This is a serious injury for a boxer to have
And now because of work. he's injured his elbow
And the trade-off for saving me was withdrawal from the Japanese Boxing Federation
He can't be without his 'life'...
To him. boxing is his 'life'
I can't just let him be
He was working to earn the money to get to America---
But. no one expected this to happen because of work
He had planned to start over again in America
But then
I can't win.
To take responsibility for whatever consequence may come without any hesitation? Could I have done that?
If that were the case if I was asked to save her could I have done it?

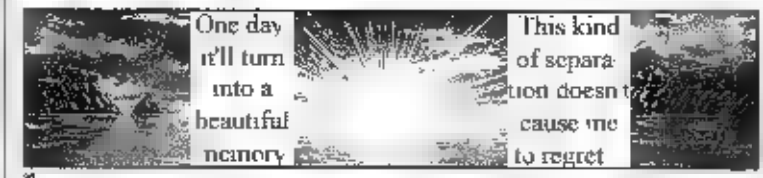
Well then, I d
There's nothing left for us——
Marino is holding her luggage preparing to depart
to re- turn to
better leave now
I n
Kug..ll m


Ma- rino
G- good bye
Good bye
The way I am right now, there's no way I could tell her Marino, she's more im- portant to me than my life
Taka- shi!

And then, three days later------

Really wanted to hug her
I really wanted to turn back
But...
I could feel her weeping behind me
This is no longer my role
Good bye...

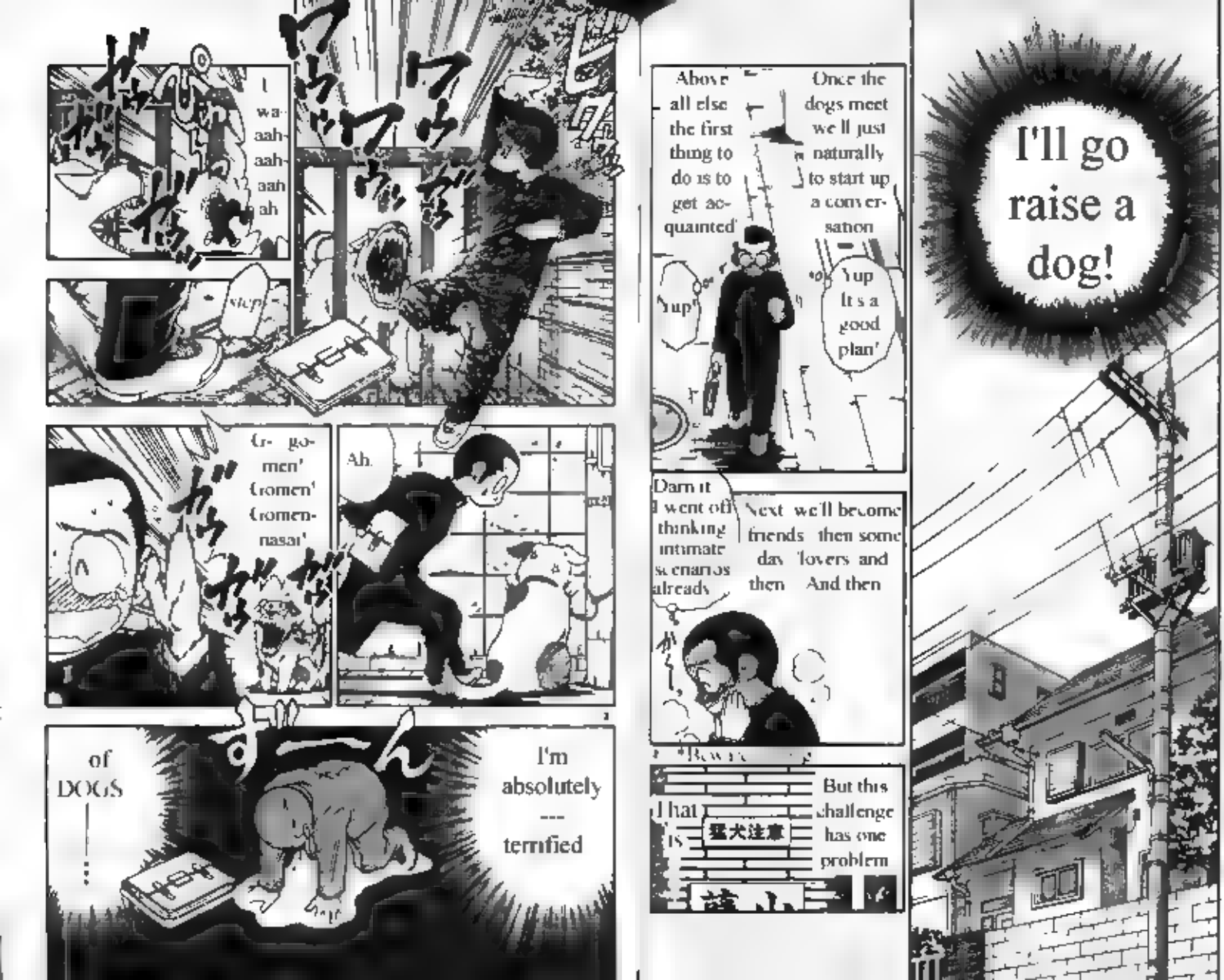
I think of that bitter separation
Next time, when I hear the sound of waves or see a clear day, I'll probably think of her


One day it'll turn into a beautiful memory
This kind of separation doesn't cause me to regret

And together we'll make this event, a scar of the past
Once, I again meet a most beloved one, I'll take her here

She comes to walk her dog
She's the one I've gotten a crush on ever since I entered school
For this past while I always see Yanagi Mizue-san of 1st year section 2 by the riverside

# PART6
# Dog and Lover


I'll go raise a dog!
Above all else the first thing to do is to get acquainted
Once the dogs meet we'll just naturally to start up a conversation
Yup
Yup It's a good plan
Darn it I went off thinking intimate scenarios already
Next we'll become friends then some day lovers and then And then
That is
猛犬注意
But this challenge has one problem
I wa-aah-aah-aah ah
Gr- go-men' Gomen' Gomen-nasai'
Ah.
of DOGS
I'm absolutely --- terrified

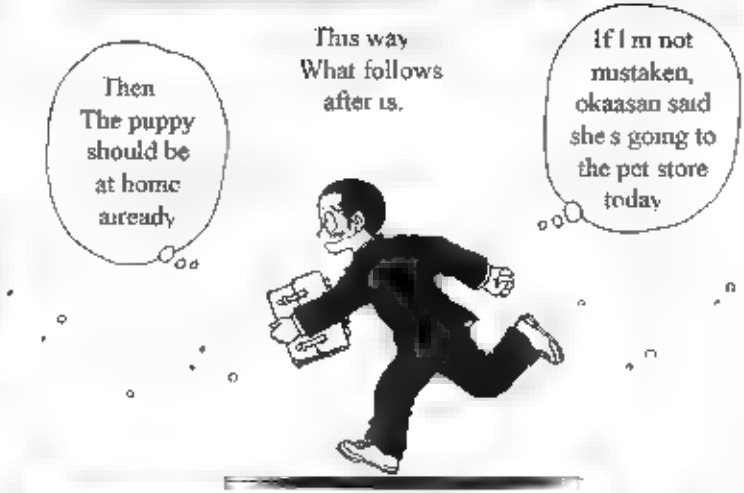
がぶ

Stop being so whiny!
A dog is a dog!
What's more you got an especially big one!
Why did you get one that's grown up?
But I asked for a small dog, or at least a newborn puppy!

Okaa-san What's this?
A dog
I know it's a dog.

As long as it is what Yanagi Mizue likes
Yes I just have to like them

I will certainly come to like dogs!
I have to conquer this! No I will conquer it---


Then The puppy should be at home already
This way What follows after us.
If I m not mustaken, okaasan said she s going to the pet store today

Ta-da-ma-
What kind of dog will it be?

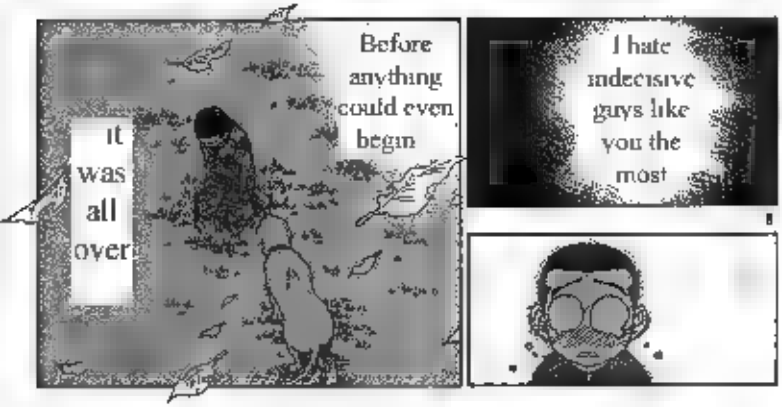
So they gave us their damaged goods.
What's more, it was free of charge! The pet store pleaded us to take care of it
You must mean a Labrador?
I think it's called a Lapu-lapu
First of all this dog is a purebred
Right! That's it
Hey Okaa ---'
Anyway you asked to raise it, so you'd better take good care of it
Maybe it's not so bad after all
おそるおそる
Forget it It's still a dog all the same after all
I heard Labradors grow big, but are actually gentle and intelligent
Snort
It suddenly bit me
Wh-What the heck
Okay Just a walk
Tomorrow, I'm bringing you to the riverside for a walk
If I chicken out now, I won't get anywhere!
I already decided that I'd come to like dogs
H-Hey
Dogs really are scary after all
So scary
But

Where are you going?
'Heel' I told you to 'heel'
Ah……
Don't tell me that mutt
Don't tell me it's.
A girl's cry?
This is a serious problem
No what's most important is. can I say anything when I see her?
Bah, how can I be that lucky right ?
She didn't come?
If I do see her I probably have greet her. right ?

What the heck is up with this dog?!
What?
What? This is your dog? How exactly do you train him?
I I'm sorry please excuse us
Sorry! I'm really sorry! Yanagi -san
Eh
Huh?
How do you know my name?
Ah
So You're a student at Nozawa Public too?
What's your name? Class?
My name is Saruta Keisuke. 1st year section 7
Huh? Saruta? Never heard of you before
That's cuz I'm not news-worthy
Then Saruta -san
Nice doggy
Raising a dog is the best after all
Oh god. Am I dreaming? I'm actually sitting here chatting with Yanagi Mizue
BOW WOW
No This. I
Why do you know my name?

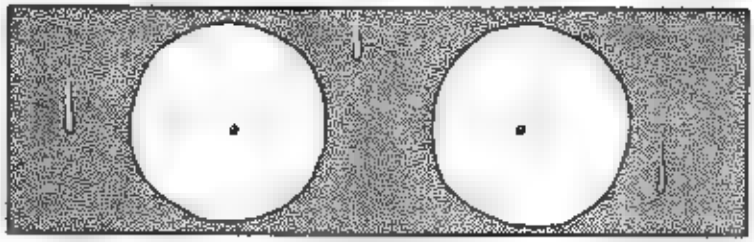
You want me to throw the stick?
What? You wanna play fetch?
Huh?
Ha ha
Mou, even my dog has gone along
Hya
Why is it that you know my name?
Well Back to my question
Doki..
what do you mean unwittingly?
Tell her!
Say it! Keisuke!
No This... I unwittingly..
It's 'cuz I've always liked you!
Because It's 'cuz
Forget about it
I mean You don't have to answer anymore
Huh?
.....
Because I wanted to get acquainted with you
This

Good bye
Princess! Come here. we're going back home!

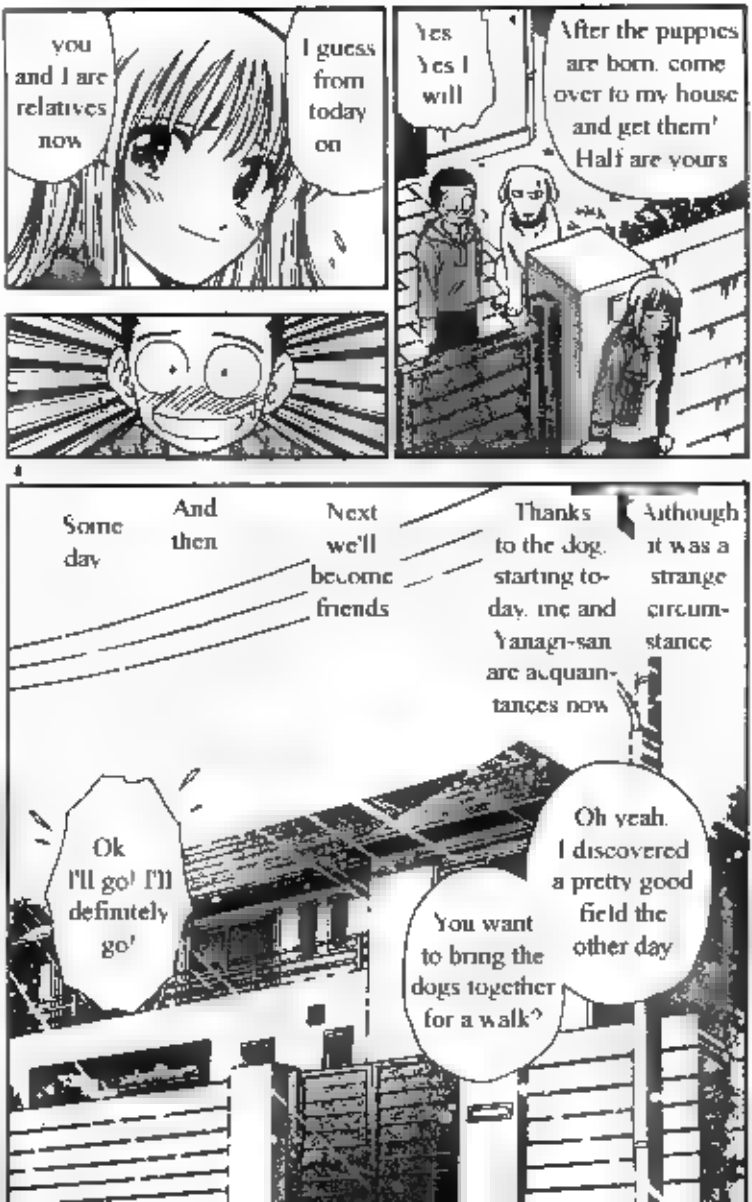

Before anything could even begin
it was all over
I hate indecisive guys like you the most

I could only continue on mourning my loss like this
Since then, I never got the chance to speak with Yanagi Mizue again
A month has passed since that time

I hate indecisive guys like you. .
...the most

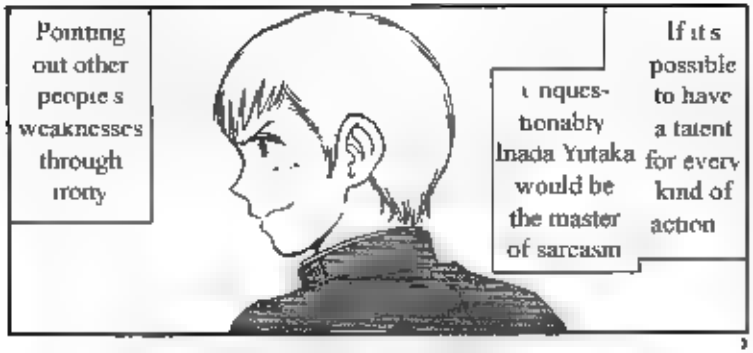


?
What do you plan to do?
Hi Yanagi -san
I have kids now!
I...
My dog!
Princess?
Princess
Not mine! Princess!
Huh, huh!
Huh?
You have to take responsibility!
It was back when we let the 2 dogs go off alone. I'm sure it's your dog's filthy job!
sigh Why did I decide to raise a dog?
Ruff!
Ha Haha
Pow!
Saruta -san
Yup, yup. The way things are right now, isn't bad at all
Although, I don't necessarily need a reason per se
Bow!
Let's go for a walk


you and I are relatives now
I guess from today on
Yes Yes I will
After the puppies are born, come over to my house and get them! Half are yours
Some day
And then
Next we'll become friends
Thanks to the dog, starting today, me and Yanagi-san are acquaintances now
Although it was a strange circumstance
Ok I'll go! I'll definitely go!
You want to bring the dogs together for a walk?
Oh yeah, I discovered a pretty good field the other day

# PART7

## Acceptance Notice of Love


Pointing out other people s weaknesses through irony
I nques- tionably Inada Yutaka would be the master of sarcasm
If it s possible to have a talent for every kind of action

I refuse to lose to hun'
I really don't want to lose to this guy

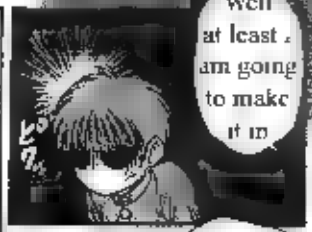
Takai san
the cram school that me and Kunisaki attended
He showed up in---
Inada only showed up a few months ago

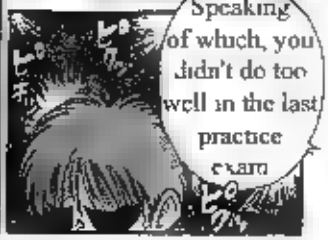
Inada
The results are almost out
What are you standing around here for? Aren t you going to look?

Huh Is that right?
Don't worry! I m sure I got in!

Thus. This bastard is really

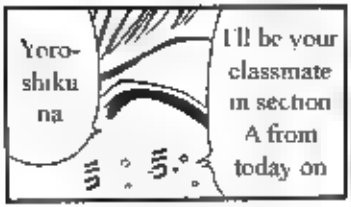
So just relax a little
No matter getting ac- cepted or wait-listed In is in. right?


Well at least I am going to make it in


Speaking of which, you didn't do too well in the last practice exam

I'm Inada Yutaka of Nega Jr High'
You are ?

I'm aiming for Tohka as well

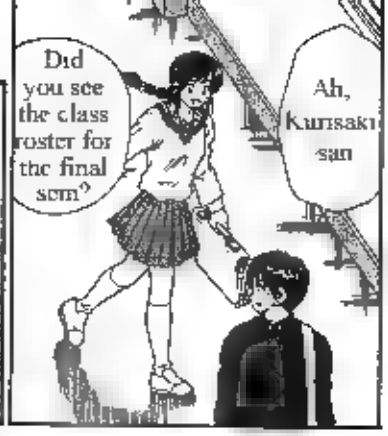

Yoroshiku na
I'll be your classmate in section A from today on

Huh ?
And you're Takai Shigefumi-san of Aona Jr High
I know Kurisaki Mayuna-san of Nozawa Jr High
Sou ka. Yoroshiku ne I'm

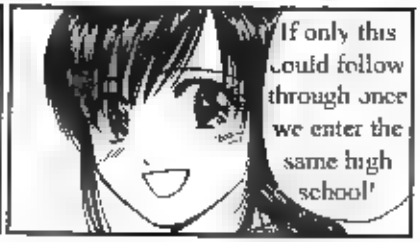
I'm thinking too much maybe? That "Yoroshiku" seemed
Seems like an open, fun guy

Kondo koso. yoroshiku

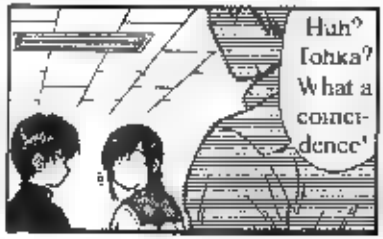
Me too
This is great We're in the same class again'
I did. I did I'm in section A'

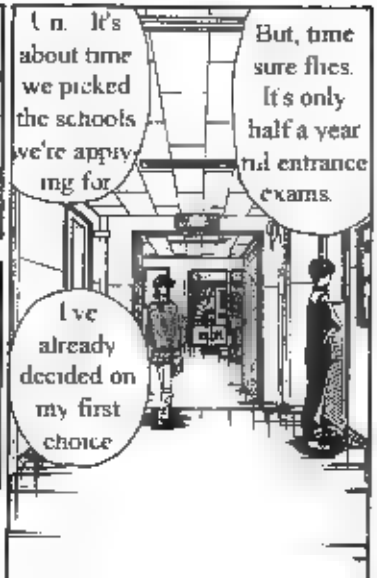

Did you see the class roster for the final sem?
Ah, Kurisaki -san

Kurisaki -san ♡


If only this could follow through once we enter the same high school'

Huh? Really? It's hard to get in there
'cuz the uniforms are cute
Tohka High.


Huh? Tohka? What a coincidence'


Um. It's about time we picked the schools we're applying for.
But, time sure flies. It's only half a year 'til entrance exams.
I've already decided on my first choice

Are you trying to pick a fight?
After all it doesn't take a genius to merely apply
Hmph. then that means our 1st choices are the same!
in schools, and love
TOHKA!! Is there something wrong with that?!
Huh? Really? You have good taste. Takai-san
How'd you do on the recent practice exam?
This
Inada. Yutaka
You alone?
Hiya, Takai-san
It sounded like he was trying to deliberately pick a fight
Let's talk about this now before it becomes a nuisance later!
Whoever makes it to Tohka High earns the right to court her
Did. it really look that way?
Nothing's up it's just you're always together I thought you guys were going out
Wh- What's up already?
I see
She lives in the opposite direction
Kunisaki san!
God damn it! Where's he getting all that self-confidence
I'm going on a-head
If it happens that you make it in too. let's talk about it again then
Rest assured. I'll make it in
What do you mean? What happens if we happen to both make it
Takai-san. where do you plan to apply?
No connection. no match
Nope not one bit

Next, next Sunday is the last practice exam before the entrance exams
Huh
Hiya, Takai -san
isn't just all talk'
This is bad This bastard
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Yuushou Seminar Board, general practice exam top scorers list
Nah, I'm not
Inada-san' You're really something
Grr
How about it? Let's hasten the deal'
The results of this exam is a preview of the end isn't it'
What are you so incredulous about?
Huh' It's next next week'
It was easy
Right that is correct
Using a formula to solve this quadratic equation, what would the Inada solutions be?
How can I let that bastard steal my Kurisaki away?
Damn it How can I let myself lose'

Hey Don't be like this Iakai -san'
Don't be like this'
You little bastard ---!
Don't be like this!
Don't you feel ashamed for picking on a bystander to vent your anger'
That is not how it is
You're agitated because you missed an exam I can relate
But -
Ku- Kurisaki -san
N- No way'
What' You got it wrong' I was just about to ask why you didn't come
B- Beca- Use
What are you saying' The practice exam was last week
Huh
Haha ve been studying ate
Wow Iakai-san, you look drained ately
Tomorrow s the last practice exam I ought before the entrance exams to prove myself
How did you do
How was it' Iakai san'
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You
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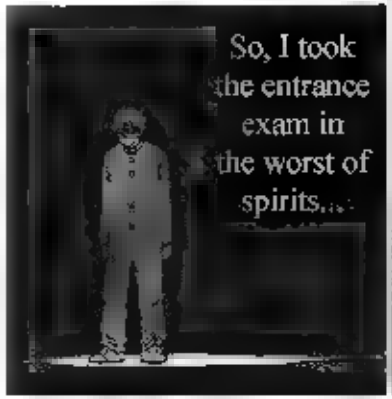

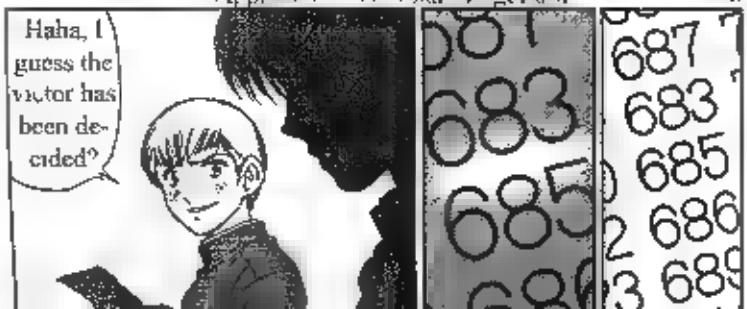

Just a small failure such as this is giving you the shakes, and freezing you up!

But I never thought you'd be such a wimp

As I expected, I knew the outcome before it ended

Of course I made it in!

If you had only gotten in, you would've at least had the chance to win her back

What a moron you are ---

You couldn't even keep at your determination to make it in as your number 1 goal

And you! Well, how about looking at your 2nd choice?

I'll have a great time with her at Johka High

Clench

What! What are you making that fist for? Wanna hit me

If you do that, she'll only hate you more, you know!

Let's just let her keep on having the wrong idea about you!

Looks like you and Kunsaki are over now!

You hit Inada -san.
I saw it
Ah……
……
!?
I'm really sorry
causing Takai-san to be unable to take the exam well
This has nothing to do with that
Besides I did make it into other schools.
Ah no' Don't concern yourself at all with this'
I heard everything I saw only a portion of the situation and came to the wrong conclusion
Huh?
Um If you don't mind
That at least is true
But, I really wanted to study in the same school as you did, Kurisaki -san

Son of a
Ha ha
Ha……
Ha ha
Howl like a dog'
You hitting me just goes to show you never made it' You couldn't have'
Taking a punch from a guy like you, it didn't hurt one bit'

I planned to continue going after entering high school
Then it's decided
It'd be great if we end up in the same class again!
Yes! I'll go! I want to go for sure!

# PART8

# Graduation Ceremony of Love

Yeah, that's right
I only have today left to do it'
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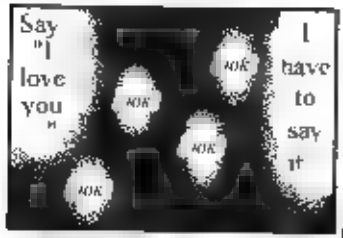
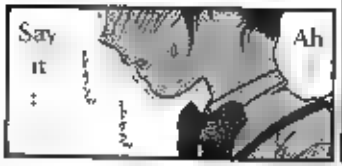
Iozawa Kurumi is here ---!
Oha you, minna

Not since independent studies started
How's everyone doing?
I haven't seen you guys in a month
Hi' Kurumi'
Ah, it's Kurumi
Kondo ni mo, minna yoroshiku ne

Dammit I still have the state schools
Yamamoto' I hear you flunked every single private university exam' You alright'
Don't say it out loud'
Iyaa ---
Huh' Rin' Say haven't you put on some weight

Hi Kurumi
But the strange thing is it's not annoying at all It must be her personality huh'
That Kurumi hasn't changed one bit Bringing out a person's weaknesses like that


Say "I love you"
I have to say it
KOK
KOK
KOK
KOK


Say it
Ah

Oi say something at least, Kurumi
It might be that I won't get a chance to 'confess' after this
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!?
Oh yeah, everyone After the graduation ceremony wanna find a place to chill out?

Yeah, that's right! Everyone should get it on a little
Woo--- yeah! Kurumi's idea is fine!

How you been doing?
Tsukuda Yousuke
Tsu-kuda
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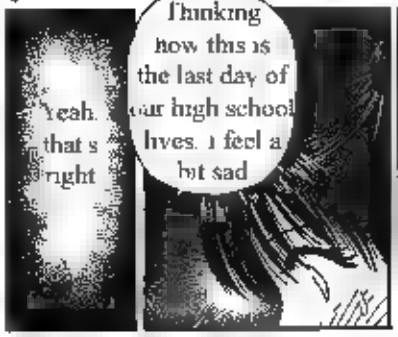
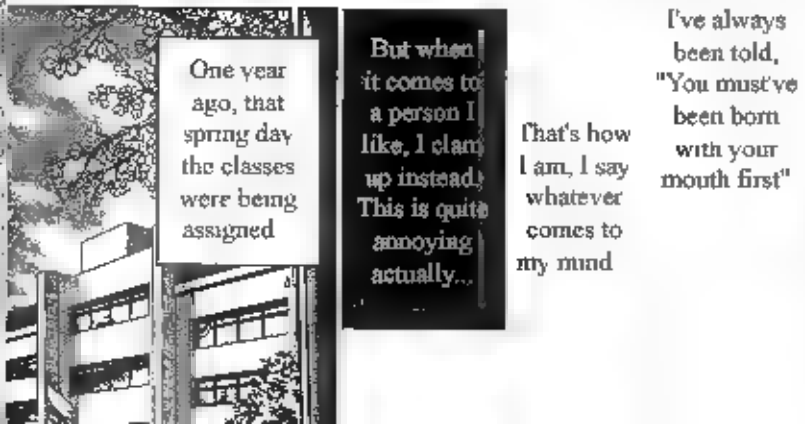

Yeah, that's right
Thinking how this is the last day of our high school lives. I feel a bit sad

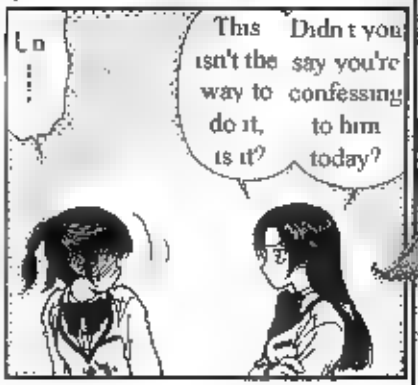
It's finally come to our gradua-tion.
Un

There's no way I can say it
Just act like you always do, and you'll be fine, right?
Huh?
Why are you being so weak? It's not like you at all
I really can't do it after all, confessing to someone I can't do it
tak
tak
tak
tak
So, I couldn't say it
When I'm in front of Tsukuda, my mind just goes blank

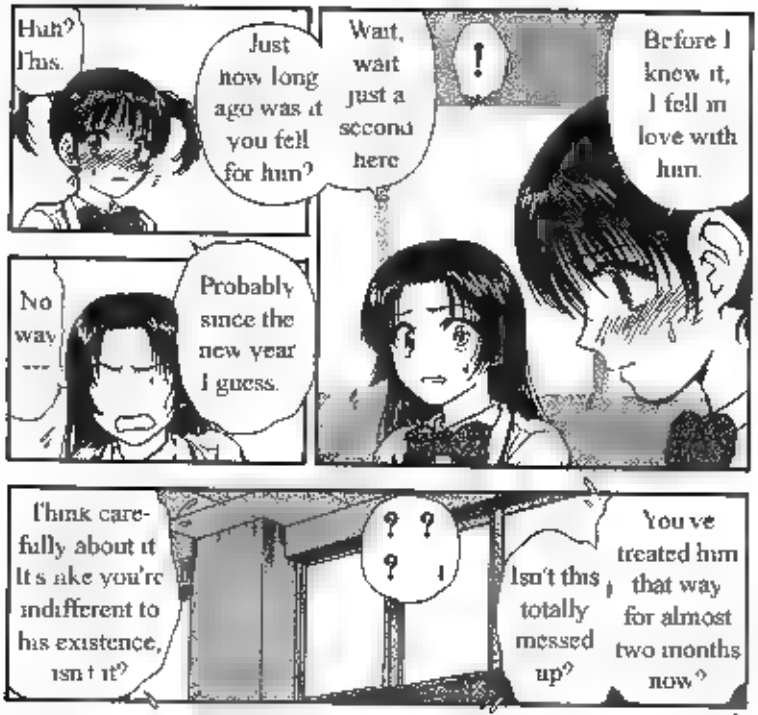

One year ago, that spring day the classes were being assigned
But when it comes to a person I like, I clam up instead. This is quite annoying actually...
That's how I am, I say whatever comes to my mind
I've always been told, "You must've been born with your mouth first"

Ku-ru-mi!

Sen-na!
What is wrong with you? Why'd you treat Tsukuda like that?


Un...
This isn't the way to do it, is it?
Didn't you say you're confessing to him today?

Why has it turned out this way ?
Haa


Huh? Thus.
Just now long ago was it you fell for him?
Wait, wait just a second here
!
Before I knew it, I fell in love with him.
No way ---
Probably since the new year I guess.
Think carefully about it It's like you're indifferent to his existence, isn't it?
? ? ?
Isn't this totally messed up?
You've treated him that way for almost two months now?
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Ah
If it were you, what would you be feeling?
Someone you considered a friend in the past suddenly ignores your existence for two months

It's just like the saying. "a deluge from the mouth"
That day, we met for the first time
You're "All size and no brains", huh?
You Sure are a big fella
No ma- → ice
It was the worst first meeting ever
And it becames a huge fight
What?! I'm just calling it as I see it
You wench! What's that mean?
We became friends where no topic is taboo
Our relationship was real good
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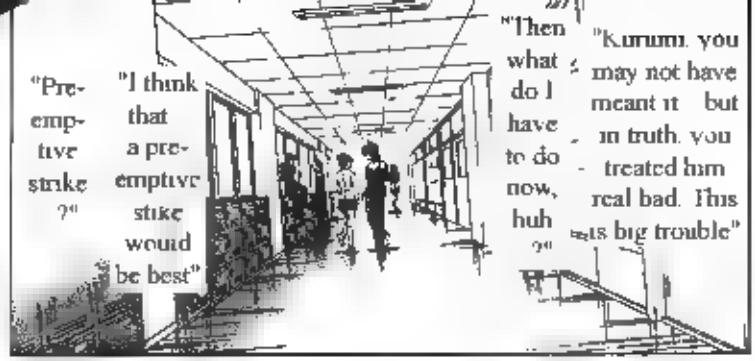
And then
Our relationship became more and more intimate
We made our peace
And then, after understanding each other's personalites
Same with you
Forget it, you didn't intend any malice

Graduates, please gather in your classrooms and await your turns.
Repeating the announcement
Attendees please assemble in the gym.
The graduation ceremony is about to begin
Graduates, please gather in you classrooms and
Attendees, please assemble in the gym.
The graduation ceremony is about to begun.
Every one's returned to class.
Where are you running off to? Didn't you hear the announcement?
Ah, there you are, Kurumi


"Preemptive strike?"
"I think that a preemptive stike would be best"
"Then what do I have to do now, huh?"
"Kurumi, you may not have meant it but in truth, you treated him real bad. This is big trouble"

But to me that is the biggest problem
Whether it succeeds or not is a matter for afterward
Isn't this the root cause after all?
That is, you go confess to him quickly
Nothing wrong with what she says
I need to talk to you.
Do you have some time?
Hi.
Ah.....

A person like me doesn't deserve a romance


Good bye

There was no way I could explain it
And I couldn't come up with a response

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But always returning to smiles
Having a few fights at times
Acting foolish together, laughing together
Then sad memories wouldn't come to pass
If I had just kept on being just good friends

Instead
Just because I thought about romance.
These priceless passing of the days

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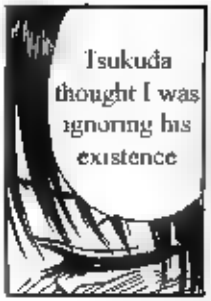
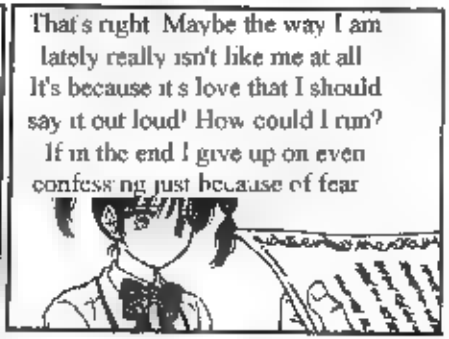
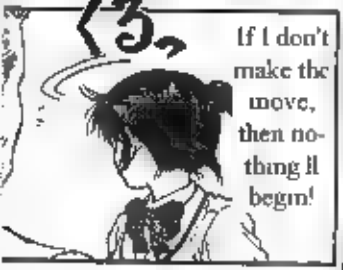

Tsukuda thought I was ignoring his existence

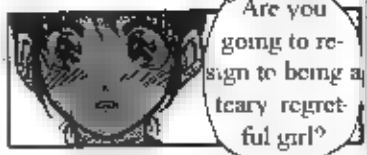
It's just as you said, Senna.

It's just as you said
Kurumi.....


That's right. Maybe the way I am lately really isn't like me at all. It's because it's love that I should say it out loud! How could I run? If in the end I give up on even confessing just because of fear



Compared to staying safe and doing nothing, I'd rather choose



I like you more than anything!
I just like you!
I've always liked you a lot!
!?
What about you?

HEY!
Tsukuda Yousuke!
...to make a move then regret it later!

This is the first spring of the 21st century

I laughed along too

Sensei said in rage, "This is unprecidented " but later added. "It's just so like you to do this"

After the graduation ceremony sensei gave me a bit of a scolding

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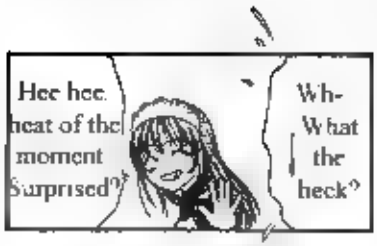
*Open for Business
Cafe and Lunch
Milky Way

# PART9
# To *Protect*


Hee hee. heat of the moment Surprised?
Wh- What the heck?

!?
CHU

If ten-chou saw
Don't do such a stupid thing!

Nakata Haru-yoshi --!

Oh no
Ah. Te-tenchou ?

What was that just now?

Why thank you, you praise me too much!
Ojo-chan, are you a part-timer? You sure treat customers well

Not really a good idea I'm aged, and stools aren't good for my hips.
Then is it alright if I seat you at the bar?
I under-stand. I'll go find you a booth you can sit in

Hi. Kayo. what's up?
Haru-yoshi!

Kayo sure is hard-working

A week ago, in Tokyo
Ne--- Haruyoshi
We can go together and stay somewhere local
Do you want to go on a trip?
It's spring break after all
Our relationship as
Going with Kiyo on an out-of-town trip
Eh--- But I don't have the money
Don't worry no problem!
Ut go! I so want to go!
Oh
N prefecture has a restaurant called "Milky Way" that lets people work for board
We can sightsee some days and work others. It's very befitting of us, right?
Oh yeah! Well, let's go then!
*Manager's Office
店長室
Just because of that asshole tenchou
It clearly should've been a cheerful spring break
Milky Way
!?
But, didn't you say that you were just regular friends when we met?
You guys must be dating huh?
Haa
N never meant it to be that way
Did you guys lie to me?

Because the relationship's just casual.
R-Really?
I'm not the devil after all
Because the relationship's just casual, and this is only your first mistake, I can choose not fire you
But, no use in pleading with me anymore
Because you're fired!
The same goes for part-timers
I must've said it before right? Company policy forbids office affairs
This. But
to just lend Kiyo to me
It'll be enough
Haha, you're not bad at groveling
No matter what, this is too unreasonable now
What the heck? Tenchou
You just have to revert back to regular friends, just as you stated in the records
In order to circumvent your violation
What? It's not like there won't be a limit. It's just for the duration of your stay
What
You're just a strict manager
What do you mean royalty?
If this were feudal times, you'd have to commit seppuku for your insubordination
I am royalty!
In other words, in this land
I just happen to be the manager the top guy in this shop
Mm—

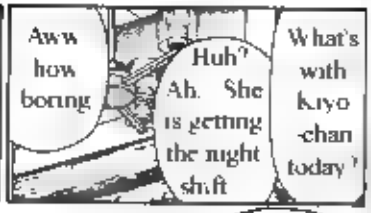
So the intelligent choice should very be clear, shouldn't it?
Well the deal is sealed then, hehehe hehehe
Hmph -- to hell with him
Milky Way
What kind of a joke is this? What's he treating someone's girlfriend as?
That's just mean
Then this means, we won't get to see each other anymore
You shifts are always apart from mine Haruyoshi
But
What's going on with this shift schedule?
Schedules
What's more If you go out with her, you'd be violating company policy too!
So you don't have to answer to your own actions?
Stop messing around! Kiyo's not an object!
Isn't this a great idea?
This way you won't violate company policy won't get fired, and I can be satisfied too!
What kind of fuckin' reasoning is that?
It doesn't matter because I'm the manager
Then bail go back to Tokyo alone
If you feel that you can feel more at ease somewhere where you can't see her
Huh: ?
But using my managerial powers, I can refuse to let Kiyo leave
It's your choice so I'll fire you then
Then let's call it off
"Amakusa Group president Yasuharu Shigesato"

Hai
Coffee
Iraas-shai-mase
Ah!
This won't do at all no spirit. no spirit

That's right if one has the power one can use it
A-abuse of power

Ah. of course they're deliberate
The shift schedules

What's this old geezer want!
Oh it's nothing. I just have a soft spot for the girl


Aww how boring
Huh? Ah. She is getting the night shift
What's with Kuyo-chan today?

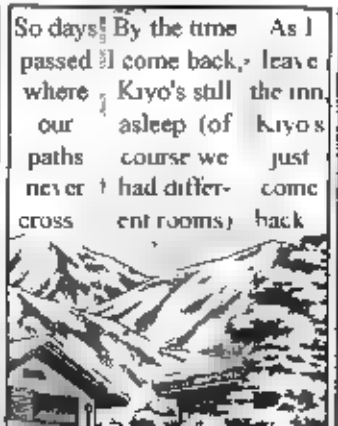
Long live the power! Hehehe hehe
Hehe hehe it's so great to have power
You can let everything go your way

Huh?
But--- that boyfriend of hers is terrible

Huh
That girl is really something. Everyday I come here. she'd be the most courteous one of all

What a poor little thing
I saw her getting hit by her boyfriend yesterday

A week then passed as thus


So days passed where our paths never cross
By the time I come back, Kuyo's still asleep (of course we had different rooms)
As I leave the inn, Kuyo's just come back

So because of that shift schedule, we were unable to meet
店長
多田

That girl adamantly refused to go, it so ticked me off.
I invited her nicely too, with my position as manager
Denying my good intentions like that, truthfully, it blew me up
So I gave her a wallop!
What? What are you making that fist for?
You wanna hit the manager?
If you dared, you'd be instantly fired
If I want to hit her or whatever, it's my business as her 'boyfriend' right?
There's no right for you to lecture me
Right now, you've surrendered her to me
Right now, she's my girl!

店長室
Huh?
What? You don't knock before you enter?
What did you do?
Mm. Who did you hear it from?
Or did you witness it yourself?
Nevermind, how you know is unimportant
Because I wanted to bring her up to the guesthouse
What did you do to Kiyo?!
Yesterday

I really am terrible
What a poor little thing ...
I saw her getting hit by her boyfriend yesterday
That boy friend of hers is terrible
Terrible
It's just as that old man said
Just because I didn't have the guts.
Back then, I should've dragged her with me and left
At the time that bastard asked to borrow her. I should've hit him then and there
You little -
You !
Bastard! You're fired!

Is you
The one who ought to be punished
It seems like I've seen him somewhere before
This old coot
You truly sicken me
But it's worse that reputed
I heard that this place had bad management before
Sha-chou
You've been demoted Your pay is cut
You've lost your pension
Your retirement is going to come early
Tanomu zo
I'm
Would you still like a refill on your coffee?
Ano
I'm sorry Kiyo
Get out of my sight immediately
Hey You've already been fired! What are you doing still acting like a waiter?
You damn bastard
Of course! Don't expect to recieve any pay
Haha You damned yourself now
Taste a manager punishment

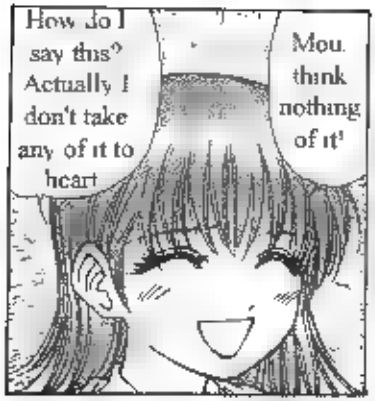
*shachou president (of a corporation)

Wha?
Oh yeah, shachou gave this to us! Said it's for compensation
I'm a little But it's alright
Kiyo, does your face still hurt?
The next day ...
Huh? Really? Let's take a look
It seems like gift certificates to another one of shachou's hotels
!?
Love Hotel
HOTEL 天の川
Ah, it's not that I don't want it, if we just go to it
This isn't too good of an idea, let's give it back to him
What in the world was he thinking?
What the hell is this? Isn't this for a love hotel?

# PART10
# O/D Switch
(Offensive Defensive Switch)

**sfx - murmuring

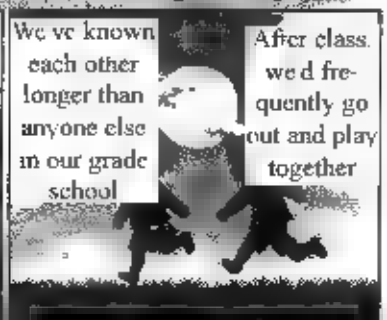
*Class 6-1



I wish I could become a strong man that can protect the girl he loves.

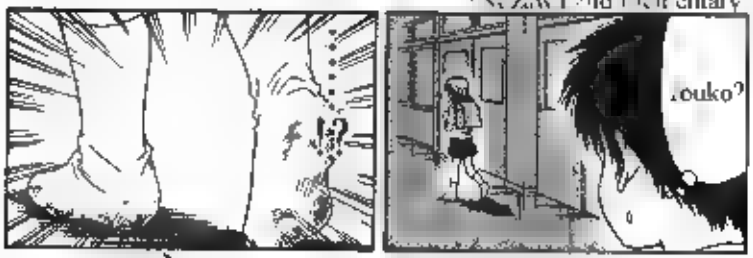
FINAL

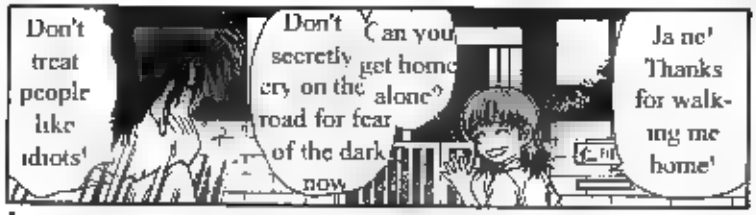
Touko's been studying at the piano school okaasan opened since she was in kindergarten



That is why I couldn't be of any help
It's too scary I don't want to imagine
If you were to go against her
That's why no one opposes her
Nagata is a popular person in class

Touko is so strong
Yeah
No matter what terrible things I encounter as long as I have the piano, my spirits will lift up
After all I still have the piano!


Touko?


Don't treat people like idiots!
Don't secretly cry on the road for fear of the dark now
Can you get home alone?
Ja ne! Thanks for walking me home!

!?
No! Don't come near me!

Ah
Touko What's wrong? Your feet
Where are your indoor shoes?

But then

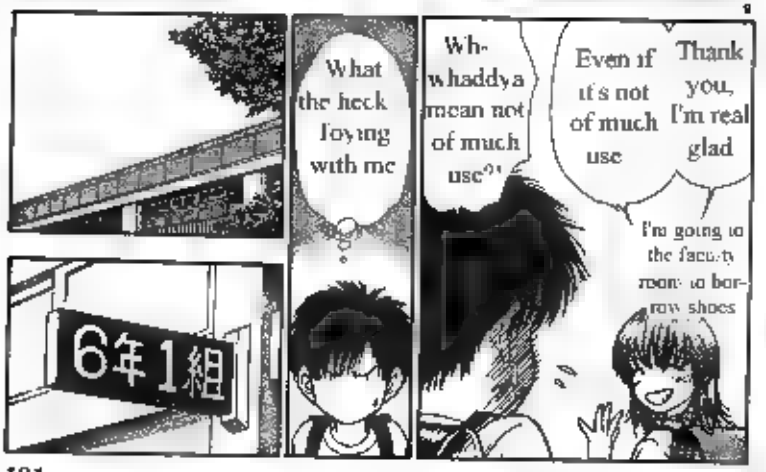
This is the so called bitter hate, huh? It's so mean
she started bullying Touko

ぱたん

She lost to Touko in the last recital. It was because of that
The classmate that always bullies Touko - Nagata Michiyo, is a student of a different piano school

Go ahead and pile your troubles on me
Then don't be so courteous with me
Right?
This sort of this isn't a big deal
We're friends, right?

Thanks for telling me these things
It's so manly of you to say that---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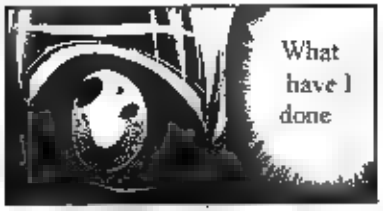
What the heck Toying with me
Wh-whaddya mean not of much use?!
Even if it's not of much use
Thank you, I'm real glad
I'm going to the faculty room to borrow shoes

From today on maybe it's best---
If we not be seen together for a while

It's possible they could end up bullying you too Haruto
Nagata is that kind of person
If Nagata and the others were to see us together

Don't say such distant things
I don't wish to drag you with me, Haruto

Haruto -kun, I heard
They're ignoring me!
This is, I
You guys must be good buddies
It turns out your home is where Touko takes her piano lessons
So what will it be? Haruto!
If you want to keep being good friends with Touko, you'd better be prepared
My enemy is the entire class enemy, get it?
Anyone that sides with Touko is my enemy
I'm not siding with her at all!
It's so scary!
We aren't good buddies at all
Hi Yamada Oos!
Eh?
Minna, ohayou
This is.
This atmosphere
Wh- what's this?




I caused her to cry

Grrraaaah!
!?
おおおおおお
I - I wah '
It's danger- ous '
I - let's get out of here'
Any one who d
.is not human at all!
. just stand there and watch someone cry

I always depended on Touko's warmth...
Touko
.....
.....

...It's alright, you don't have to explain
I'm sorry... about awhile ago...
It's so good to be cared for...

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I can't let this go on...!
Don't say that! Or else I'll start depending on you again...
!?
...how you had no choice but to say that...
I completely understand...

Hey, don't you guys think so too?
.....
That was so idiotic ...
Wh-.. what?

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Yeah, that's right ...
I feel that this should not have happened...
Huh .....
That wasn't funny at all...
What he said does have a point

Yeah, me too
Count me out
I don't want to do this anymore ---
Yeah
If you think about it, we don't really hate Touko
Huh .....
Huh .....

...to be a strong man!
I've already decided
...It's manly of you to say that

Don't try to deny it! Look at those tear trails...
One day ...I will for sure ...
Then first thing to do is to get rid of your crybaby attitude!
Urk--- I've been found out
Huh? I'm not a crybaby... that was just...
SALAD DAYS 15 • fin
See you in the next issue

**PROFILE**

## 猪熊 忍

INOKUMA Shinobu

Time sure flies.
Since I debuted in manga at 19 years old,
it's already been 15 years.
Seven and a half years as an assistant,
seven and a half years as a mangaka.
I finally feel like my time as a mangaka
has become at par with my training.
I might be thinking too much...
Even though this is off the beaten path,
and at times I've even missed meals
drawing the manga that I love,
I really feel fortunate.
Drawing for 'Salad Days' is entering its
5th year, but it will keep going on.
Please continue your support.

◆表面構成／庄永重◆

# 我的所迷戀主角
MY FAVORITE GIRLS

## SALAD DAYS

One of the heroines of 'Friends' Lisa Kudrow, who plays as Phoebe. Within the various personalities in 'Friends', hers is the most unique. Her willpower is strong. She's gone through singing, massaging, writing and other considerably risky jobs. Her almost incomprehensible retorts and songs, distinguish her from the others, truly deserving of notice. It's too bad, in order to perfect this role, she couldn't break out to do other works. So, as her fellow 'Friends' actors have gone and done a few movies already, she still only has this. I guess, she must really love this Pheobe character.

(Ed. note: Wha? She's done lots of movies already. More than Matt LeBlanc now, I think)